

ROBERT KEAN.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 288.]

JANUARY 19, 1832.

MR. BURGESS, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Robert Kean, report:

That Robert Kean, of Buffalo, in the State of New York, entered the service of the United States as Adjutant, in Colonel Bloom's regiment, November, 1812, under the command of General P. B. Porter, and served upwards of one month; that he again entered on actual service in the same capacity in June, 1813, under Major C. Chapin, of the New York volunteers, and served three months, during which time he was taken prisoner by the British at the Beaver Dams; that he was afterwards engaged in the daring exploit of capturing the enemy's guard on lake Ontario; that he continued in the service, and in carrying despatches, until he was again taken prisoner at the battle of Buffalo, on the 30th of December, 1813, and was exchanged at Odletown, and returned home in the month of March following. In the following season he served with Colonel Hopkins at the battle of Chippewa, and with Colonel Swift at fort George. That in discharge of his duty, when carrying despatches from General Gaines at fort Erie, to General Brown near the Genessee river, his horse fell under him, and seriously injured his shoulder and hip, which deprived him of the use of them. The fact of his service as Adjutant, is abundantly sustained by the attested certificates of Colonel Chapin, and return of the muster roll of the field and staff officers of Lieutenant Colonel Chapin's regiment of volunteers and militia, in the War Department; and of his disability by the attested certificates of Benjamin Congden, surgeon, and Ebenezer Johnson, physician. Under this view of the case, the committee think said applicant entitled to a pension, and report a bill. Rate \$17 per month, to commence January 1st, 1828.

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